

Stephen C. Stec “Shine Your Light” Scholarship

The Shine Your Light scholarship is given in memory of Stephen C. Stec, an honor graduate and Salutatorian of the 2020 graduating class of Conway High School. Applicants must be a member of the National Honor Society and demonstrate the characteristics exemplified by an honoree: persistence, determination, hard work, and dedication to excellence. In addition, students must possess high moral and religious principles. The student must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher on the 4.0 scale (unweighted) and must have taken at least one higher level mathematics and/or science course. Students enrolled in Calculus and /or Physics at the present time are eligible to apply.

- The student **must** be a member of the National Honor Society
- The student **must** be graduating in the spring from Conway High School **or Scholars Academy High School**
- Demonstrate the characteristics exemplified by an honoree: persistence, determination, hard work and a dedication to excellence
- Must possess high moral and religious principles
- Must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher on the 4.0 scale (unweighted)
- Be accepted to a college or university to begin in the fall following graduation (In or out of the state of South Carolina)
- Must have taken advanced level mathematics and /or science courses and /or presently enrolled in Calculus or Physics
- Obtain a letter of recommendation from a teacher, administrator, guidance counselor, or pastor

Amount: \$1,500

Deadline: On or before April 24, 2026

Application must be returned to Guidance. Late applications will not be accepted.

Section 1: Personal Information

Full Name: _____

Social Security # _____ - _____ - _____

Date of Birth: _____ Ethnicity: _____ (optional)

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone (H): _____ (C): _____

Personal Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Telephone (W): _____ (C): _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Section 2: Academic Record (to be completed by counselor)

Please Indicate Scores for the following:

SAT Verbal: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Total: _____

ACT English: _____ Math: _____ Reading: _____ Science: _____ Composite: _____

Total GPA: _____ Class Rank: _____ of _____

Name of Guidance Counselor: _____

Counselor's Email Address: _____

Guidance Counselor Signature: _____

Section 3: Enrollment Information

List the college/university you plan to attend:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Have you been accepted? _____ Yes _____ No

Anticipated Major: _____ Anticipated Minor: _____

Anticipated Career: _____

Degree Sought: _____

Section 4: Biographical Essay (No Resumes)

(In 100-150 words, express your personal values, desires, ambitions, and financial need for the scholarship)

Section 5: Student Statement

IMPORTANT

Please read the following and certify by signing below if you understand and accept the statement as being your own. I understand that I must be a United States and Horry County citizen to qualify, and a Conway High School Student. I understand that the \$1,000 scholarship is a one time only award. I understand that the scholarship can only be used toward books/tuition. I understand that the scholarship will be paid in full at the beginning of the fall semester to the college/university in which I am enrolled. I understand that withholding requested information or giving false information will declare me ineligible for the scholarship. By signing below, I certify the above statements are true and that this application is complete and accurate.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

***Return applications to Guidance for processing before mailing**